

City of Lowell - Community Preservation Committee

Community Preservation Committee Agenda

Thursday, September 30 at 7:00 p.m.

This meeting will occur in-person with the option to join remotely. You can choose to attend in-person in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 375 Merrimack Street, Lowell, MA 01852; or you can choose to attend remotely by using one of the following four options to access the meeting:

- 1. Join via your computer, tablet, or smartphone: https://lowellma.zoom.us/j/83689156011
- 2. Call 646-558-8656 and enter the MEETING ID: 836 8915 6011
- 3. Watch LTC Channel 99
- 4. Watch online at: www.ltc.org/watch/channel-99
- Call to Order
- II. Minutes for Approval September 2, 2021 Meeting Minutes
- **III. Continued Business**
- **IV. New Business**

Eligibility Application: 88 Middle Street, 01852

Middlesex Community College has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$458,708 of CPA funds for the Historic Preservation of the Derby Building located at 88 Middle Street. The applicant proposes to utilize funds to restore historic characteristics on the interior and exterior of the property. **The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.**

Eligibility Application: 228 Worthen Street, 01852

Girls, Inc. has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$352,925 of CPA funds for a Historic Preservation project. The applicant proposes to utilize the funds to reimburse themselves for the purchase of the property, and for consulting fees. The property will be used for increased programming space and capacity. The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.

Eligibility Application: 452-456 Broadway Street, 01854

Community Teamwork, Inc. has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$72,800 of CPA funds for the creation of affordable housing. The applicant proposes to develop the property at 452-456 Broadway Street into a 24-unit affordable housing development. The proposed units would be studio units serving the City of Lowell's homeless population. The applicant will use the funds for pre-development costs. **The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.**

Eligibility Application: 243 Worthen Street, 01852

The Whistler House Museum of Art has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$400,000 of CPA funds for an Outdoor Recreation project. The applicant proposes to utilize the funds to expand and restore the existing park next to the Whistler House Museum of Art. **The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.**

Eligibility Application: Downtown Lowell Building Restoration Loan Fund, 01852

The Lowell Development and Financial Corporation has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$1,000,000 of CPA for a Historic Preservation Loan Fund. The applicant proposes to use the funds to create a loan fund that will be used to lower interest rates, help developers defer payments, etc. with the goal of off-setting costs for Downtown developers to restore and preserve historic downtown buildings. **The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.**

Eligibility Application: 375 Merrimack Street, 01852

The City of Lowell has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$473,713 of CPA funds for a Historic Preservation project. The applicant proposes to use the funds to restore stained glass within City Hall. The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.

Eligibility Application: 80 Gorham Street, 01852

New Gorham LLC has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$94,000 of CPA funds for a Historic Preservation project. The applicant proposes to utilize the funds to repair the façade and complete structural work at the historic property. The property has fallen into disrepair and requires significant structural work to make the building functional. The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.

Eligibility Application: Acre Crossing, 01852

Acre Crossing, LLC has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$760,000 of CPA funds for the creation of affordable housing. The applicant proposes to use the funds at the Acre Crossing development to aid the development of 32 two- and three-bedroom condos for first time homebuyers with incomes between 70% and 100% of the Area Median Income. The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.

Eligibility Application: Clemente Park, 01851

The Clemente Park Committee has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$46,000 of CPA funds for an Outdoor Recreation project. The applicant proposes to use the funds for repairs and improvements at the Park. The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.

Eligibility Application: OnePlus Lowell

The Merrimack Valley Housing Partnership has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$500,000 of CPA funding for the support of affordable housing. The applicant proposes to use the funds to start a homeownership program in the City. The program would use CPA funds to provide interest rate discounts on 30-year fixed rate mortgages for low- and moderate-income first time homebuyers. The program would assist eligible homebuyers in the purchase of market-rate housing and higher priced, deed-restricted properties. **The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.**

Eligibility Application: 1413-1415 Varnum Ave, 01854

Lowell Parks and Conservation Trust, Mass Audubon, and Mill City Grows has applied to the Community Preservation Committee for an eligibility determination seeking \$1,500,000 of CPA funds for an Open Space and Outdoor Recreation project. The applicant proposes to use the funding to protect Rollie's Farm and create an urban wildlife sanctuary and education center dedicated to local agriculture and community-based environmental education. The funds would be used to acquire and preserve two parcels. The applicant is currently seeking an eligibility determination from the Community Preservation Committee.

V. Other Business

VI. Notices

VII. Further Comments from Community Preservation Committee Members

VIII. Adjournment